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Dear Parents and Carers

I write to invite you to the Year 9 Courses and Information Evening on **Thursday 29th January 2026**.

The evening will begin at **6.00pm** in the Hall with a welcome and introduction by the Head of School. There will then follow a series of short presentations by subject staff in the JP2 Block. These presentations are an opportunity to find out more about the courses that are on offer at GCSE.

During the evening there will also be the opportunity for you to meet with subject staff and members of the Senior Leadership Team, who will be able to address any queries you may have.

You should receive a copy of the Year 9 Options booklet with this letter; please read and discuss this with your child in advance of the evening. You will be able to download another copy of the options booklet from the website.

A copy of the programme for the evening is on the reverse of this letter. Please bring this with you on January 29th – this should ensure that you are able to make the best use of your time during the evening. You will notice that many subjects run in multiple time slots to allow as many families as possible to hear staff presentations.

Option choices should be made via the electronic Options Form using the following link:

[Year 9 Subject Preferences Form January 2026](#)

This form will 'go live' after the Options Evening and should be submitted by **Friday 6th February**.

I look forward to seeing you at the Courses Evening on 29th January.

Yours sincerely

Ms S Whyte
Deputy Head

TIMETABLE FOR YEAR 9 COURSES EVENING -29TH JANUARY 2026

		18:30-18:40	18:45-18:55	19:00-19:10	19:15-19:25	19:30-19:40	19:45-19:55
JP1	I	Media Studies	Film Studies		Media Studies	Film Studies	Media Studies
JP2	II	French / Spanish	French / Spanish	French / Spanish		French / Spanish	French / Spanish
JP3	III	Triple Science	Triple Science	Triple Science	Triple Science	Triple Science	Triple Science
JP4	IV	* Design and Technology	* Design and Technology	* Design and Technology	* Design and Technology	* Design and Technology	* Design and Technology
JP5	V	HODs of Maths, English, RE available for questions all evening					
JP6	VI	History	History	History	History	History	History
JP7	VII	** Art / Food Prepration & Nutrition	** Art / Food Prepration & Nutrition	** Art / Food Prepration & Nutrition	** Art / Food Prepration & Nutrition	** Art / Food Prepration & Nutrition	** Art / Food Prepration & Nutrition
JP8	VIII	Music	Drama	Music	Drama	Music	Drama
JP9	IX	PE/L2 VCERT Sport Studies		PE/L2 VCERT Sport Studies		PE/L2 VCERT Sport Studies	
JP10	X	Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography
JP11	XI	Business	Business	Business		Business	Business
JP14	XIV	Careers	Careers	Careers	Careers	Careers	Careers
JP15	XV	Computer Science	Child Development	Computer Science	Child Development	Computer Science	Child Development

Mrs T Rowsell (SENCO), Mrs C Mitchell (Head of Year) and Pastoral staff - available downstairs in JP all evening for questions

* **Design and Technology**

Resistant Materials, Electronics

** **Art**

Fine Art, Photography, Textiles

JPII BLOCK - GROUND FLOOR

EXIT

STAIRS

ROOM 6
HISTORY

ROOM 5
MATHS
ENGLISH
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ROOM 4
DESIGN AND
TECHNOLOGY

ROOM 7
ART, PHOTOGRAPHY, TEXTILES,
FOOD and NUTRITION

ROOM 3
SCIENCE /
TRIPLE SCIENCE

HEAD OF YEAR
Mrs C Mitchell

SENCO
Mrs T Rowsell

LIFT

ROOM 2
MODERN LANGUAGES

ROOM 1
MEDIA STUDIES /
FILM STUDIES

MALE TOILETS

DISABLED
TOILET

STAIRS

EXIT

JPII BLOCK - FIRST FLOOR

STAIRS

ROOM 14
CAREERS

ROOM 11
BUSINESS

ROOM 15
COMPUTER SCIENCE /
CHILD DEVELOPMENT

ROOM 10
GEOGRAPHY

ROOM 9
PHYSICAL EDUCATION /
SPORT STUDIES

LIFT

FEMALE
TOILETS

ROOM 8
MUSIC
DRAMA

STAIRS